



GOV. MALLOY ANNOUNCES SMALL CITIES GRANT FUNDING FOR 28 CONNECTICUT COMMUNITIES

(Hartford, CT) – Governor Dannel P. Malloy today announced the state has awarded Small Cities grants totaling \$12,342,000 to 28 Connecticut towns.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program provides grants to eligible municipalities for economic development, affordable housing, community facilities and other revitalization projects. The federal program is administered by Connecticut's Department of Economic and Community Development.

"For most Connecticut towns and smaller cities, budgets are stretched thin but their infrastructure needs and the housing needs of their residents haven't diminished," Governor Malloy said. "That's why the Small Cities program — and the federal grants the program awards — are so critical. The funding is key to these communities and their efforts to improve the lives of residents through housing programs and community projects."

Grants are being awarded to:

Ansonia — \$300,000

The city, which will use its funding to continue its housing rehabilitation program started in 2010, plans to assist at least 15 housing units.

Ashford — \$300,000

The Small Cities funding will be used to expand Ashford Housing Rehabilitation's successful housing rehab program. The organization plans to complete 12 units of low- and moderate-income housing.

Bethel — \$300,000

The town will continue its Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Program, initiated in 2009, that provides income-eligible applicants with deferred loans to correct serious health, safety and code violations.

Branford — \$500,000

Funding will be used to make energy efficiency improvements and ADA renovations to the Orchard House Adult Day Care, which currently serves elderly and severely disabled individuals. Energy efficiency improvements include replacing windows, lights, and exterior doors with more energy efficient models; and general rehabilitation improvements will include repairs to the roof. ADA improvements will make Orchard House more accessible to handicapped individuals.

Clinton — \$680,000

Clinton plans renovate the Glenhaven Elderly Housing Complex with its funding. Improvements include replacing windows and storm doors, kitchen counters and cabinets and improvements to exterior lighting and upgrading the alarm system.

Cromwell — \$300,000

The town will initiate a Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program to help to low- and moderate-income homeowners rehabilitate their homes. Fifteen housing units are anticipated to be rehabilitated with this funding, which will be used to correct substandard conditions and code violations, repairing septic systems, and making energy efficiency upgrades.

Derby — \$300,000

The city plans to re-establish its previously funded housing rehabilitation program with its funding. The program will provide financial assistance to low- and moderate-income applicants for a variety of housing rehabilitation needs, such as roof replacement, heating systems, window replacement, lead paint removal, electrical and code upgrades, energy and weatherization improvements.

East Haven — \$300,000

East Haven's grant will fund its Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program to help low- and moderate-income homeowners rehabilitate their homes. Fifteen units are anticipated to be rehabilitated. Upgrades include roof replacement, heating systems, window replacement, and any other repairs needed to improve the general condition of the units.

East Windsor — \$700,000

The town will renovate Park Hill Elderly & Disabled Housing Complex, an 84-unit rental housing project for the elderly and disabled. Funds will be used for ADA accessibility and energy efficiency upgrades. These improvements will help lower tenant's utility costs and make the units more livable for the disabled residents.

Ellington — \$485,000

The funding will go toward the renovation Snipsic Village, a 42-unit senior housing rental project. Renovations will focus primarily on making ADA upgrades to a number of units, repaving the tenant parking area, replacing of exterior doors, and installation of new ventilations fans.

Killingly — \$300,000

Killingly plans to continue its housing rehabilitation program and rehab 10 units of low- and moderate-income housing.

Ledyard — \$300,000

The town will use its funding to undertake a Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program to help low- and moderate-income homeowners rehabilitate their homes. A total of nineteen (19) housing units are anticipated to be rehabilitated. Upgrades would include roof replacement, heating systems, window replacement, lead paint removal, electrical and code upgrades, and energy and weatherization improvements.

New Fairfield — \$300,000

Funding will continue the town's Housing Rehabilitation Program to help income-eligible applicants rehabilitate and preserve the housing units they occupy. The town expects to assist 10 units/households.

North Canaan — \$700,000

The town plans to rehabilitate 40 units of affordable housing for low- and moderate-income seniors. Renovations will include site work, fire alarm system replacement, ADA improvements in community buildings, and a major renovation to make two units fully handicap accessible.

North Haven — \$750,000

Funds will be used to make a number of ADA improvements in the town hall, making town offices more accessible to the elderly and disabled by removing architectural barriers that may impede their use of the public facility.

Plainville — \$300,000

Funding will continue the town's housing rehabilitation program. Twenty-five housing units are expected to be renovated for code deficiencies, energy upgrades and mold and lead abatement.

Portland — \$560,000

Portland will use the funding to renovate Quarry Heights, a 70-unit rental housing project for the elderly and disabled. Funds will be used to renovate kitchen cabinets, the fire alarm system, and common stairwells.

Rocky Hill — \$700,000

The town will use its funding to renovate Willow Road Senior Housing, a 40-unit rental senior housing project. Renovations will include electrical upgrades, energy and weatherization improvements, installation of four new gas boilers, and replacement of kitchen and bathroom cabinets.

Seymour — \$500,000

The town will address infrastructure improvements on Brother's Court and Chamberlain Road. Improvements include reconstruction of sanitary sewer laterals, drainage improvements, and road reconstruction.

Shelton — \$300,000

The city requested its funding to address housing rehabilitation needs, primarily in the downtown/Howe Avenue area.

Sprague — \$700,000

Sprague plans to renovate Shetucket Village Senior Housing in downtown Baltic. Improvements include ADA and other upgrades, and the expansion of one unit to make it handicapped accessible.

Stafford — \$300,000

Funding will continue the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program to help low- and moderate-income homeowners rehabilitate their homes. Twelve housing units are anticipated to be rehabilitated. Upgrades include roof replacement, heating systems, window replacement, lead paint and asbestos removal, electrical and code upgrades.

Stonington — \$542,000

The housing authority plans to renovate the Edythe K. Richmond Senior Housing complex through site improvements to Fisk Drive, as well as roof repairs and handicap accessibility and bathroom improvements in some units.

Thomaston — \$125,000

Funding will be used to recapitalize the town's housing rehabilitation program. The town will focus its efforts on correcting code violations and making energy efficiency upgrades.

Wallingford — \$700,000

The town will use its funding to renovate Ulbrich Heights, an 88-unit family rental housing project, and Southside Terrace, an elderly housing complex with 40 units. Funds will be used at Ulbrich Heights to replace the roofs and correct basement flooding issues and at Southside Terrace to install a new fire alarm system.

Watertown — \$300,000

Watertown plans to continue its housing rehabilitation program to provide deferred loans to income eligible households living in substandard housing. Funds will be used to correct identified deficiencies in approximately 18 units.

Windham — \$300,000

Windham's funding will continue its housing rehabilitation program. The town anticipates approximately 10 units of low- and moderate-income units will be renovated.

Windsor Locks — \$500,000

Funding will be used to reconstruct Pearl Street and Fern Street in the northeast section of town. This will improve the general condition of the streets as well as the storm drainage capacity.

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